

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please replace paragraph 0025, as follows:

a, [0025] The remote emergency unit 110 may be a hospital, a doctor, an emergency unit dispatcher and the like. Alternatively, the remote emergency unit 110 may be an intermediary base station at which the distress call is received and then forwarded to the appropriate medical authority. It is contemplated that, in one embodiment, information provided to the remote emergency unit 110 includes at least the patient's location. In another embodiment, the patient's location may be determined by other techniques, such as by cell triangulation, or be provided by the patient himself. The information may also include the patient's name and the particular condition that caused the distress call to be made (e.g., heart failure). In one embodiment, the information may be used to initiate an automated data retrieval process, whereby the patient's medical records are retrieved (from a database) and made available for viewing by a human operator at the remote emergency unit 110. Of course, such a data retrieval process may be manually implemented once the information is received by the human operator from the external system 108.